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## GIRL CHARGED WITH MURDER OF CHILD

### LOCKED UP IN COUNTY JAIL

**Alleged That Janie Anderson Killed 4-Months-Old Baby.**

### REVOLTING STORY IS TOLD

**Un-named Child of Mr. and Mrs. George Gregg the Victim—It is Alleged That it Was Given Laudanum and Strychnine.**

Janie Anderson, aged twenty-one years, is in the county jail charged with the murder of a four-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George Gregg, and a most revolting story is told as a result, which will result in a thorough investigation from the authorities. The alleged murder took place last Thursday, the baby dying, so it is claimed, from the effects of laudanum and strychnine. The arrest was made Saturday night, when the young woman was taken in custody at the Gregg home, from which it is said that the mother had been chased away the morning following the funeral.

Gossip of the neighbors has it that there has been trouble in the Gregg household for months. The mother of the dead babe, together with her other three children have been in destitute circumstances for some time, although the husband and father had a good position, but it is claimed that little of the money found its way into the home, but was spent on others. The mother, though, did not complain and picking wild greens from the field managed to keep actual starvation away. The husband, and father, so it is stated, some time ago, shortly after the youngest child was born, chased the mother from his home at midnight and she had to find shelter at a neighbor's. The little woman (she weighs only about eighty pounds) returned to her home, but the presence of the Anderson girl who was kept there by the husband was a continued disturbing feature, and it is said that the young baby proved to be very much in the road and that some threats against its life had been made.

The baby had been a puny little thing since its birth and as a result its mother had been exceedingly careful of its health. Last Thursday morning the father told the mother to do certain work in the field—plant some beans or something of the sort—and when she left the house she told the girl to keep especial care of the baby while she was gone. She had been at work but an hour, when she became uneasy inasmuch as she had not heard the baby crying, and went to the house. She found the Anderson girl in the act of undressing the child, which was lying practically lifeless. The mother detected the odor of laudanum and found stains on the child's dress. She looked into a bottle which she had hid away in a bundle of cotton out of reach of the other children and saw that the bottle with part of its contents missing had been moved from its usual place. She accused the girl of having poisoned the baby, but this was denied. The child became worse rapidly and, in vomiting there was every evidence of laudanum. The father was summoned home, and as he entered the house he remonstrated with the mother for having sent for him, saying, as is reported, "What do you mean by sending for me. I guess that it (referring to the baby) got its dose this time, unless it sleeps it off." This recital to the

mother the fact that the child had been given a heavy dose of laudanum once before and had slept it off.

The child grew steadily worse, and went into spasms, which the physicians say indicated that strychnine had been used in the laudanum and on Thursday night it died. The funeral was had Friday and then the husband and father told the wife and mother that she need not return to her home, and as a result she is now living with friends on Clear Creek.

It is the theory of the authorities that the girl was merely following instructions when she poisoned the child, and they are at work on that phase of the case at the present time.

## HUNDREDS OF MEASURES

**Held Up on Account of the Present Situation in Legislative Halls at Nashville.**

Nashville, Tenn., May 29.—Acting under resolution offered by Senator John C. Houck, Chief Clerk W. D. Scruggs, has submitted to Speaker Baxter a list of the bills of the fifty-seventh general assembly, further progress of which has been stopped by the breaking of the quorum in the house. Included in the list are house bills that have passed both houses, but which cannot be legally enrolled, signed by the speaker, or approved by the governor on account of the lack of a quorum in the house, and senate and house bills which have either passed in the senate or are on their third and final reading in the senate, further action being stopped for the same reason. This, of course does not include senate and house bills passed or pending and held in the house for the same reason. There are fifty of the first named. The senate and house bills held in the senate run up into the hundreds.

## SMASHED PLATE GLASS WINDOW

A double team driven by John Austin took fright at a freight train Saturday morning and plunged through the plate glass window of the Taylor Grocery Company, the cereals of the window being shattered in every direction. Fortunately no pedestrians were in the way and other than the shattering of the glass no harm was done.

## MONEY FOR PRIZE CORN GROWERS

Memphis, Tenn., May 29.—Senator Robert L. Taylor has offered \$100.00 for a free trip to Washington to the member of the Boys' Corn Club of Tennessee who grows the most profitable acre of corn in accordance with the rules of the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work, of the United States Department of Agriculture.

No greater honor could come to a boy than this splendid trip. He will be shown through some of the best farms in the United States, through the Department of Agriculture at Washington, and given a Certificate of Honor from the Secretary of Agriculture, introduced to President Taft and shown many other courtesies.

Every member of the Boys' Corn Club should see to it that his acre and yield are carefully measured and certified to by two reliable men in his community. A careful record should be kept and certificates made by the boy and his father, as well as the committee.

Richard Carter told the bright little son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Holt has been seriously ill for the past week.

## Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers of Cocke County

TRUSTEE R. H. SEXTON has prepared the following list of delinquent taxpayers. All taxes not paid before SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1911, will be sold at the door of the Courthouse at 1 p. m., that date.

FIRST DISTRICT		FOURTH DISTRICT	
Bailey, J. A. 40a	\$ 1.83	Allen, Alex Col. 3a	\$ 1.10
Ellison, Steve & Can 30a	1.10	Butler, W. A. 1a	4.09
Heilman, John 100a	31.77	Cain, W. J. 145a	9.13
Morris, Chas. Col. 25a	1.83	Clark, Richard 15a	4.02
Proffit, W. F. 35a	1.83	Clevenger, W. Z. 10a	3.71
Rumbo, J. H. 110a	3.65	Eply, David 20a	5.18
Stokely, J. B. A. 30a	3.71	Fine Chas. 30a	7.12
Shelton, David 65a	1.83	Gregg, W. H. C. 79a	9.86
Shelton, J. P. 45a	2.19	Harris, J. E. 11	1.10
Sams, 42a	5.91	Hatley, Walter 30a	4.80
Washington, John 25a	2.98	Harris, John 2a	4.80
Williams, Jno. T. and sons 1100a	146.08	Lane, Jack 1a	3.9
Calder (heirs) 50a	1.83	Moore, A. C. 11	1.10
Cody, Will 4a	2.62	Osborne, Jerry 62a	5.18
Elax, James H. 30a	1.10	Robinson, W. A. 9a	4.56
Huff, A. C. (heirs) 213a	20.09	Shelton, Mrs. D. E. 8a	1.10
Moore & Goodnough 1a	1.46	Smith, Aberdeen 25a	5.48
Nelson, H. S. 25a	1.46	Smith, John Col. 4a	7.7
Peck, Jacob (heirs) 2584a	52.23	Taylor, John 4a	2.61
Russell, Mary A. 4a	7.7	Williams, Geo. 1a	1.10
Stokely, Joe Sr. 25a	1.10	Whitlock, Romeo 8a	1.83
Stokely, J. M. 40a	3.71	Atchley, David 3a	6.58
Shelton, Thos. 42a	1.83	Clevenger, Fish 10a	3.6
Sweeten, Royal 110a	7.00	Clark, Emmet 1a	3.6
Shelton, Thos. 75a	5.48	Epley, Joseph 22a	2.93
Washington, Lawrence 25a	7.7	Etherton, Wesley 50a	2.55
Washington, Richard 20a	36	Hall, Alfred 6a	1.83
Wheeler, W. B. 240a	105.91	Hill, John 11	2.55
SECOND DISTRICT		Hill, Newton 5a	2.61
Blazer, James 119a	\$11.38	Hedrick, Ed 120a	15.08
Baleh & Parrott 45a	3.65	Lewis, Gus 2a	7.7
Brown, James 50a	1.83	Oenal, G. W. 36a	2.98
Easterly, R. M. 45a	7.31	Proffit, J. H. 20a	6.94
Gregg, F. C. 177a	3.29	Strange, C. H. 112a	18.26
Gentry, Joseph 202a	10.66	Smith, Alex (heirs) 38a	3.29
Neas, L. F. 8a	1.83	Taylor, Levi (heirs) 2a	7.7
Keller, Wm. 52a	7.00	Webb, F. W. (heirs) 20a	3.65
Kinzer, T. B. 68a	1.83	FIFTH DISTRICT	
McFarland, Nancy 49a	1.83	Denton, Jack 100a	4.46
Ottinger (heirs) of D. P. 72a	3.29	Huff, Leonard 5a	3.65
Ottinger, H. H. 104a	11.38	Lane, Allen 14a	2.61
Ottinger, D. L. (heirs) 146a	9.13	Lillard, R. A. 1a	5.18
Ottinger, Morris 150a	16.86	Penland, Jack 17a	5.90
Peck (heirs) 500a	17.26	Vinson, C. R. & Minnie 33a	9.61
Rader, J. H. 132a	15.07	Bryant, Wm. 59a	14.61
Rader, Philip 70a	3.29	Daniels, Joseph 5a	1.47
Shaver, Wm. 23a	6.58	Fine, James & J. R. 42a	5.48
Smith, B. C. 45a	6.58	Gregory, M. G. 43a	14.25
Smith, Ed Col. 57a	4.43	Grindstaff, John 21a	7.7
Smith, N. L. 24a	2.29	Hall, J. W. 20a	2.19
Smith, C. M. 2a	7.7	Killian, Joseph 1a	7.7
Smith H. Frank 52a	5.90	Lafollette, H. M. 46a	7.73
Sane, Daniel 64a	2.19	Stewart, John 47a	4.14
Talky, C. P. 31a	3.20	Smith, N. S. 30a	3.65
Tweed, John 82a	7.7	Stimolton, R. J. 8a	5.18
Williams, Mrs. M. E. 5a	2.98	Thompson, Calvin 14a	7.32
Young, Chas. 8a	6.94	Worth, T. N. 100a	5.84
Bazer, Frank 52a	18.26	THIRD DISTRICT	
Baleh, J. S. 163a	1.83	Ayers, J. C. 110a	\$ 1.04
Davis, Lydia 47a	7.73	Atkinson, Isabel 10a	3.45
Gregg, Sam 55a	3.65	Bible, Bud 11	4.80
Gregg, Wm 11	3.6	Buster, J. B. 120a	27.31
Humphrey, Mary 1a	3.6	Calfee, Mrs. J. B. 90a	14.61
Holt, John 17a	1.46	Campbell, J. H. 43a	8.83
Kinzer, T. R. 72a	4.46	Dyke, Bird 40a	6.12
Keller, E. M. 66a	3.65	Dawson, Alfred 6a	3.6
Keistler, J. D. 12a	2.61	Etherton, Worley 50a	4.02
McKinzie, A. W. 24a	5.18	French, G. F. 50a	4.75
Ottinger, N. B. 40a	5.90	Foucher, J. B. 60a	7.31
Ottinger, J. B. 86a	9.61	Holdway, Ben 1a	\$ 1.10
Ottinger, Mrs. M. C. 123a	14.61	Hunt, J. T. 58a	5.48
Ottinger, Horace 50a	1.47	Henderson, W. L. 100a	20.51
Proffit, C. S. 60a	5.48	Kesterson, James 21a	11.32
Redwine, Eli 37a	14.25	McMillan Nellieveranda 18a	1.46
Smith, Henry H. 13a	7.7	Moore, Thomas 5a	2.08
Stepp, Robt. 24a	2.19	Mason, W. S. 6a	2.61
Stuart, Sam 10a	7.7	Price & Clark 18a	4.80
Smith, Sam 44a	7.73	Ramsey, J. W. 40a	2.60
Smith, Robt. 24a	4.14	Stanton, D. H. 11a	1.76
Smith, N. S. 30a	3.65	Smith, A. B. 40a	6.51
Stimolton, R. J. 8a	5.18	Smith, C. W. 120a	5.48
Thompson, Calvin 14a	7.32	Thompson, Susan 60a	5.48
Worth, T. N. 100a	5.84	Walker, Chas. 122a	18.27
SIXTH DISTRICT		Yarborough (heirs) 5a	7.7
Austin, Sam 11	3.64	Adams, Lewis 50a	7.40
Archer, Jack 11	3.71	Adkins, Elizabeth 120a	20.52
Boley, M. H. 2a	1.10	Bridges, Lizzie 12a	1.83
Cureton, Relius 61a	8.03	SEVENTH DISTRICT	
Cureton, Elbert Col. 4a	\$ .39	Bailey, Joe 106	9.56
Cameron, Elbert Col. 4a	2.97	Click, Mary (heirs) 100a	1.46
Cline, J. M. 1a	3.3	Gregg, Will 176a	27.41
Dockery, A. B. 11	3.37	Hamilton, Brice 16a	1.46
Epley, Joseph 11	3.38	Hedrick, A. B. 5a	1.10
Foster, Charles Col. 11	5.54	Le Mrs. Wm. 107a	11.64
Gray, Jack 11	4.80	Morrison, Linton 27a	4.75
Gorman, Catherine 21	7.7	Rector, Lewis 42a	\$ 4.75
Gregg, Wm. 11	7.8	Smith, Crockett 3a	7.7
Glucose, Bruce 11	4.11	Wiley, William 5a	3.6
Green, R. L. 11	3.84	Whitaker, Susan 2a	3.6
Hang, C. B. 31	25.13	Black, Will 10a	5.90
Hutchinson, Dr. Col. 11	3.29	Hensley, Susan 50a	5.48
Hickey, Lettie 31	1.46	Harper, J. W. 50a	9.13
Hynes, J. R. 11	5.70	Hawk, J. F. 60a	9.68
Howard, Geo. Jr. 21	4.08	McNabb, Lins 67a	17.64
Jarmain, R. L. 6a	1.83	Neas, Richard 3a	3.6
Kooff, Henry 11	1.40	Rector, Gus 42a	5.12
Lyons, A. W. 21	1.83	Sane, Mary 39a	2.38
Litha & M. C. 11	7.7	Suggs, John 20a	29.22
Lillard, Wm. 11	5.90	Stimolton, Robert 20a	2.61
McNabb, Thomas 2a	3.35	Whison, Thompson 20a	1.83
Moss, M. Col. 20a	1.10	EIGHTH DISTRICT	
Manson, John C. 11	7.32	Arrowood, John 40a	3.35
McPeters, C. L. 21	18.27	Bail, J. W. 10a	2.61
Nickles, Sam Col. 2a	7.7	Grindstaff, W. H. 50a	1.46
Owens, J. H. 40a	7.40	Green, James 55a	2.55
Punch, R. E. 4a	10.96	James, George 25a	2.98
Rector, A. J. R. E. 11	7.7	Mantooth, B. 10a	7.7
Rodman, Henry 11	1.76	McMahon, T. W. 50a	2.98
NINTH DISTRICT		Neely, W. R. 15a	3.35
Bennett, Arch 40a	\$2.55	Pack, John 50a	2.55
Bell, J. W. 10a	2.61	Turner, James 100a	3.65
Brown, G. M. 2a	3.6	Arrowood, Charlie 12a	2.61
Brown, C. G. 21a	3.6	Burke, Ella 60a	1.83
Coggins, W. A. 50a	1.10	Green, C. M. 11	7.7
Clark, Dolphus 15a	3.61	Hicks, Mary 100a	1.83
Conrad, Curti 43a	1.46	Hall, Wm. 10a	1.10
Clark, John 70a	1.76	Harrison, Jesse 30a	1.46
Coughren, E. L. 123a	3.65	Mantooth, Elias 75a	1.83
Davis, Mathew 20a	2.61	Meister, James Jr. 4a	2.61
Foster, Liza 12a	3.6	McCall, Joseph 70a	1.46
Ford, B. P. 3a	3.6	Pack, J. H. 20a	3.35
Gates, R. T. 15a	3.6	Shelton, J. S. 40a	1.10
Grindstaff, H. H. 100a	2.55	Webb, John 35a	7.7
Gates, H. L. 15a	3.6	TENTH DISTRICT	
Green, James Jr. 20a	7.7	Bennett, Arch 40a	\$2.55
Graham, James 60a	1.83	Bell, J. W. 10a	2.61
Green, Jane 40a	7.7	Brown, G. M. 2a	3.6
Henderson, Jane 15a	3.6	Brown, C. G. 21a	3.6
Hall, Sam 20a	3.6	Coggins, W. A. 50a	1.10
Johnson, W. N. 11	5.18	Clark, Dolphus 15a	3.61
Johnson, James 20a	3.6	Conrad, Curti 43a	1.46
Jenkins, (heirs) 20a	1.10	Clark, John 70a	1.76
Kilham, J. E. 50a	4.08	Coughren, E. L. 123a	3.65
Lewis, W. A. 20a	3.98	Davis, Mathew 20a	2.61
Musser, W. H. 20a	3.6	Foster, Liza 12a	3.6
McAdron, J. M. L. 20a	3.6	Ford, B. P. 3a	3.6
McGaha, H. L. 20a	3.6	Gates, R. T. 15a	3.6
McGaha, J. W. (heirs) 3a	3.6	Grindstaff, H. H. 100a	2.55
McCart, S. E. 10a	3.6	Gates, H. L. 15a	3.6
McMillan, Noah 100a	8.68	Green, James Jr. 20a	7.7
Brown, Miles 146a	6.30	Graham, James 60a	1.83
Benson, Isaac 40a	4.44	Green, Jane 40a	7.7
Barn, Wesley 50a	1.47	Henderson, Jane 15a	3.6
Clark, J. D. 30a	2.65	Hall, Sam 20a	3.6
Coggins, David 15a	3.6	Johnson, W. N. 11	5.18
Campbell, Thos. 50a	2.04	Johnson, James 20a	3.6
Campbell, W. J. 100a	5.45	Jenkins, (heirs) 20a	1.10
Cagle, Jesse 17a	3.8	Kilham, J. E. 50a	4.08
Duckett, R. L. 4a	3.6	Lewis, W. A. 20a	3.98
Foster, Isaac 10a	3.6	Musser, W. H. 20a	3.6
Green, Wm. 104a	3.61	McAdron, J. M. L. 20a	3.6

Any one holding receipts for any of the property advertised will please give me number and date of receipt betwixt now and the date of sale.

**R. H. SEXTON, Trustee.**

## MONEY FLOWS IN; NONE GOES OUT

**Woeful Lack of Coin Among the Employees and Departments at the Capital.**

Nashville, May 29.—There is a woeful lack of coin among the clerks and employees around the state house, because the state comptroller declines to meet demands upon him without authority of an appropriation bill. Even the comptroller's clerks are not being paid. The railroad commission is scurrying around borrowing stamps from any other department which has them. The state pension board loaned the railroad commission a few stamps today but when a call was made on the geological survey folks said they would have to take the request under consideration.

Nothing like the present situation was ever known around the state house. Porters have not been paid for nearly two months, stenographers and clerks have also had to get the where-withal elsewhere during the same time. The criminal cost bills and the requisitions from state institutions continue to flow into the comptroller's office, but not a penny is paid out except where it is explicitly provided for by statute.

## MAY FILE CONTEST AGAINST FARMER

**Claimed He is School Superintendent and Representative at Same Time.**

A contest may, according to rumor, be filed against Representative H. G. Farmer of Grainger County. Mr. Farmer is now not only representing his county in the lower House of the General Assembly, but he is Superintendent of Public Instruction in his home county. It is claimed by some that he cannot hold both offices and hence the talk of a contest either in the Legislature or to contest his right to act as School Superintendent. It is understood that no definite action has yet been taken in the matter.